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MEDICAL FACILITIES FOR ANIMALS BY CZA
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Zoo Authority (CZA) proposes to initiate an ambitious project for medical care and health investigation facilities to 56 large, medium and small zoos and 100 mini zoos;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when it is to be initiated?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a), (b) & (c) Yes, Sir. Since the year 2000-2001, the Central Zoo Authority has initiated a programme for strengthening of the existing disease diagnostic facility at 6 Veterinary Institutions/universities in the country on Zonal basis viz., Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Bareilly (Northern), Orissa University of Agriculture and Technology, Bhubaneshwar (Eastern), Tamil Nadu University of Veterinary Sciences, Chennai (Southern), Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agriculture and Technology, Jammu (North-West), Assam Agriculture University, Guwahati (North-East) and Gujarat Agricultural University/Veterinary College, Anand (Western) to help the Indian Zoos as well as Wildlife Wing of the State Governments. A total amount of Rs. 194.23 lakhs has already been provided to the institutes/universities for strengthening the existing diagnostic facilities, which includes procurement of necessary diagnostic equipment as well as operational cost.